GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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LIVESTOCK CENSUS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any livestock census has recently been conducted in the country particularly in Jaharkhand;

(b) if so, the number of cattle especially milch and cross breed cattle recorded in the country, State-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken by the Union and State Governments to increase the number of cattle and also to improve their breed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The 16th Livestock Census had been conducted in the countrywith reference date as 15th October 1997. However, Bihar/Jharkhand did not undertake this work.

(b): A statement is given at Annexure.

(c): The main focus of policy of the Government at present is to reduce mortality in cattle by undertaking livestock health cover. It is felt that the number of cattle exceeds the carrying capacity of the land with an increasing human population competing with animals for the produce of the land. Therefore, the approach has been to concentrate on improvement of productivity of cattle rather than increasing their number. Both the States and Centre have established breeding farms for supply of improved germplasm. A national project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding has also been initiated to reach quality breeding inputs at farmer`s doorstep.

ANNEXURE

STATE WISE CATTLE POPULATION AND MILCHED CATTLES

STATES	CATTLE	MILCH	Total MILCH
	Cross-Breed	Indigenous	
ANDHRA PRADESH	10602070	227559	1430162 1657721
Arunachal Pra	452920	2330	51855 54185
Assam	8000304	84327	1264863 1349190
BIHAR	#		
JHARKHAND			
GUJRAT	6748835	134840	1346015 1480855
GOA	87978	3236	11652 14888
HARYANA	2399832	166773	305693 472466
HIMACHAL PR.	2094511	161419	294892 456311
JAMMU & KASHMIR	3175473	271513	427023 698536
KARNATAKA	10831134	522553	1757415 2279968
KERALA &&	3396335	785357	329657 1115014
MADHYA PRADESH	19496874	58384	3090922 3149306
CHATTISGARH	8852544	26904	1093102 1120006
MAHARASHTRA	18071537	732957	2181531 2914488
MANIPUR	508264	12865	47824 60689
MEGHALAYA	738262	7322	131332 138654
MIZORAM	33312	2492	3999 6491
NAGALAND	383308	28490	34253 62743
ORISSA	13810489	234057	1705325 1939382
PUNJAB	2638978	631135	197287 828422
RAJASTHAN	12141402	75316	2408575 2483891
SIKKIM	143024	13517	15031 28548
TAMILNADU	9046538	144617	131761 276378
TRIPURA	1227568	18438	253841 272279

UTTAR PRADESH	22047295	444160	2937289	3381449
UTTARANCHAL $				
WEST BENGAL #	17831665	296753	2740176	3036929
A & Nicobar	60180	1494	10866	12360
CHANDIGARH	7254	3773	357	4130
D & N HAV. #				
DELHI	95660	31816	19461	51277
LAKSHDWEEP	3399	209	339	548
PONDICHERRY	122621	16850	6228	23078
DAMAN & DIU	5450	2	625	627
TOTAL				
ALL INDIA ++	175055016	5141458	24229351	29370809

Census work not initiated in these States/Ut
&& Based on 1996 census data,
$ Livestock data combined with U.P
++ TOTAL EXCLUDES BIHAR/JHARKHAND AND DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI